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FOLLOWING IS REQUESTED TEXT OF JACK ANDERSON ARTICLE WHICH
APPEARED IN WASHINGTON POST JUNE 7.

BEGIN TEXT:

1.MAKARIOS PLOT -- MORE THAN FOUR YEARS AGO, WE REPORTED
THAT THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY HAD BECOME INVOLVED IN
THE DIRTY BUSINESS OF ASSASSINATING FOREIGN LEADERS. WE
DESCRIBED SIX ATTEMPTS TO KILL CUBAN PREMIER FIDEL CASTRO,
COMPLETE WITH THE NAMES OF THE CIA AGENTS AND THE MAFIA
FIGURES THEY RECRUITED TO HANDLE THE JOB.

2. OUR STORY WAS DENIED AND DENOUNCED BY CIA SPOKESMEN.
BUT THE ROCKEFELLER COMMISSION HAS NOW UNCOVERED EVIDENCE,
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WHICH COMPLETELY CONFIRMS OUR STORY.

3. WE HAVE ALSO REPORTED THAT THE CIA WAS IN CONTACT WITH THE PLOTTERS WHO GUNNED DOWN DOMINICAN DICTATOR RAFAEL TRUJILLO AND ATTEMPTED TO MURDER HAITIAN PRESIDENT FRANCOIS

(PAPA DOC) DUVALIER.

4. NOW IN INVESTIGATIVE STUDY BY ONE OF THE BEST REPORTERS IN THE BUSINESS, LAURENCE STERN, LINKS THE CIA WITH AN ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT UPON ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS, THE PRESIDENT OF CYPRUS. STERN'S REPORT WILL BE PUBLISHED SOON IN THE PRESTIGIOUS FOREIGN POLICY MAGAZINE.

5. AS STERN RECOUNTS IT, CYPRIOT HOUSE SPEAKER GLAFKOS CLERIDES CONFRONTED THE US EMBASSY WITH THE CHARGE THAT ERIC NEFF, THE FORMER CIA CHIEF IN CYPRUS, HAD HELD A SECRET MEETING IN ATHENS WITH CYPRIOT NIKOS SAMPSON, WHOSE STRONGARM ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN DOCUMENTED.

6. BOTH NEFF AND SAMPSON WERE KNOWN TO BE OPPOSED TO MAKARIOS. INDEED, "MAKARIOS PRIVATELY COMPLAINED TO THE US EMBASSY AT NEFF'S OPEN HOSTILITY TO MAKARIOS," STERN REPORTS.

7. SUBSEQUENTLY, SAMPSON OVERTHREW MAKARIOS AND PUT OUT A PREMATURE RADIO BULLETIN THAT THE ARCHBISHOP HAD BEEN KILLED. SAMPSON'S STRONGARM MEN, IT IS BELIEVED, TRIED TO MURDER MAKARIOS, WHO HAD A NARROW ESCAPE.

8. NEFF COULD NOT BE REACHED FOR COMMENT.

9. FOOTNOTE: STERN REPORTS THAT SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY A. KISSINGER WAS AWAKENED EARLY ONE MORNING DURING THE CYPRUS CRISIS BY TURKISH PREMIER BULENT ECEVIT. THE TURKISH LEADER COMPLAINED THAT A GREEK SHIP WAS FLYING TURKISH FLAGS TO CONFUSE ECEVIT'S AIR FORCE. NANCY KISSINGER SLEEPILY TOLD HER HUSBAND, ACCORDING TO STERN: "WHY DON'T YOU TELL HIM TO SHUT UP AND SINK THE GODDAMN THING?"
END TEXT KISSINGER

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